

HOUSE BILL 1797
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 33; Title 53;
Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to
prescription medications.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-10-104, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) The administrator of a program shall notify all pharmacies enrolled in such program of any cancellation of the coverage of benefits of any group enrolled in such program at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of such cancellation. If the administrator of a program is not notified at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of such cancellation, then the administrator shall notify all pharmacies enrolled in such program of the cancellation as soon as practicable after having received such notice.

(b) All persons enrolled in a program shall be notified of its cancellation and, to the extent reasonably practicable, the administrator of such program shall make every effort to gain possession of any plan identification cards such persons may have been issued pursuant to the provisions of such program.

(c) Any person who utilizes a program identification card to obtain services from a pharmacy after having received notice of the cancellation of the person's benefits shall be liable to the program administrator of such program for all moneys paid by such program administrator for any services received pursuant to the illegal use of such identification card.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.